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SUBJECT: ECONADS: OLSZEWSKI BRIEFING ON SOVIET MERCHANT
THREAT

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1. MR. OLSZEWSKI'S JUNE 13 BRIEFING TO 15 US AND ALLIED
OFFICERS ON SOVIET MERCHANT THREAT WAS ONE OF THE BEST WE
HAVE RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON VISITORS IN SOME TIME.
ATTENDEES INCLUDED REPS FROM USNATO, USDELMC,IMS, SACLANT-
REPEUR, CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DIRECTORATES,
DUTCH, GERMAN, ITALIAN, NORWEGIAN AND UK DELEGATIONS, AND
USEC OFFICER DEALING WITH EC SHIPPING MATTERS.

2. UNFORTUNATELY, RELATIVELY SHORT NOTICE WE HAD OF OLSZEWSKI
VISIT MADE ATTENDANCE OF ADDITIONAL ALLIED DELEGATION REPS
DIFFICULT, AND UNAVAILABILITY OF INTERPRETATION ALSO AFFECTED
UNDERSTANDING OF SOME. TO MAKE THE IMPORTANT CONTENT OF THE
BRIEFING MORE READILY AVAILABLE TO ALLIED OFFICIALS CONCER-
NED, WE URGE (AS WE DID IN CONVERSATION WITH MR. OLSZEWSKI
BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE) THAT A WRITTEN SUMMARY OF THE BRIEFING
WITH LIMITED NUMBER OF MOST SIGNIFICANT GRAPHICS BE PRE-
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PARED FOR NATO CIRCULATION. UNLESS NOSIC HAS OTHER PREFERENCE,
WE SUGGEST THE TEXT/GRAPHICS BE PROVIDED TO THE
ECONOMIC DIRECTORATE (VIA USNATO) FOR REPRODUCTION AS AN
ECONADS DOCUMENT. THIS WOULD ASSURE ITS TRANSLATION INTO
FRENCH, AS WELL, WITH THEREBY IMPROVED COMPREHENSION FOR
THOSE OFFICIALS WHO PREFER TO WORK IN THE OTHER NATO
OFFICIAL LANGUAGE.

3. SINCE THE BRIEFING WE HAVE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF REQUESTS
FOR A TEXT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: AS PROPOSED IN PARA 2. GLITMAN

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